

MEMORANDUM

TO: Flood Authority Members

FROM: ESA Adolfson Consulting Team

DATE: June 12, 2009

SUBJECT: Request for Qualifications for Early Flood Warning Program

In November 2008, the Flood Authority authorized a stream and precipitation gauge inventory and analysis project. The resulting Chehalis River Basin Stream and Precipitation Gauge and Report, presented to the Flood Authority in March 2009, recommended that the Flood Authority work to improve local forecasting and emergency response. An early flood warning program was included in the ripe and ready studies package presented to the Flood Authority in April 2009.

ESA Adolfson has prepared the attached Request for Qualifications to provide services for designing and implementing an early flood warning program. Dates will be filled in by Lewis County once the RFQ is ready for publication. ESA Adolfson recommends that:

- the Flood Authority discuss the RFQ at the June 18th work session and recommend changes to ESA Adolfson
- the Flood Authority authorize Lewis County, as lead agency, to advertise the RFQ and solicit responses
- the Board Advisory Committee read the qualifications, interview firms, and recommend a firm to the Flood Authority